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In re application of : Attorney Docket
No.: DEBOER2
Applicant: Mark DE BOER et al. :
Serial No.: 09/554,784 : GAU: 1644
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For: "COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS :
FOR TREATMENT OF AUTOIMMUNE :
DISEASES USING A MONOCLONAL :
ANTIBODY TO THE INTERLEUKIN-12 :
BETA2 CHAIN" :
-----X October 29, 2001

BOX NON FEE
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

ELECTION

SIR:

Pursuant to the requirement in the outstanding Office Action dated September 27, 2001, applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I namely claims, 1-3 and 8, directed to a monoclonal antibody and a pharmaceutical composition comprising same, *with traverse*.

REMARKS

Claim 9 is dependent upon claim 8 and, like claim 8, is directed to a pharmaceutical composition. Accordingly, claim 9 is properly grouped in Group I and